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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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	Examiner Laura S Weiner	Art Unit 1745	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 1 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 May 2002.
 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-30 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) 1-30 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
| 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____ | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claim(s) 1-7, drawn to a gelled composition obtained by an addition reaction between a linear copolymer having 2 terminal hydrosilyl groups [Formula (A)+(B)]and a compound having 3 or more ethylenic double bonds [Formula (d)] where the linear copolymer is formed by copolymerizing formula (A) and Formula (B) and Formula (D).

Group II, claim(s) 8-20, drawn to a gelled composition obtained by an addition reaction between a linear copolymer having 2 terminal ethylenic double bonds [Formula (A)+(B)]and a compound having 3 or more hydrosilyl groups [Formula (F)] where the linear copolymer is formed by copolymerizing formula (A) and Formula (B) and Formula (F).

Group III, claim(s) 21, drawn to a battery.

Group IV, claim(s) 22-24, drawn to an electrochemical device such as a solar cell, a capacitor, a sensor or an electrochromic display device.

Group V, claim(s) s 25, 29-30, drawn to a method for producing a battery or an electrochemical device where the ionic conductive composition is obtained by an addition reaction between formula (A), Formula (B) and Formula (D).

Group VI, claim(s) 26, 29-30, drawn to a method for producing a battery or an electrochemical device where the ionic conductive composition is obtained by an addition reaction between Formula (B) and Formula (D).

Group VII, claim(s) 27, 29-30, drawn to a method for producing a battery or an electrochemical device where the ionic conductive composition is obtained by an addition reaction between Formula (A),Formula (B) and Formula (F).

Group VIII, claim(s) 28, 29-30, drawn to a method for producing a battery or an electrochemical device where the ionic conductive composition is obtained by an addition reaction between Formula (A) and Formula (F).

2. The inventions listed as Groups I-VIII do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: The gelled composition can be formed by reacting Formulas (A), (B) and (D); reacting Formulas (A) and (D); reacting Formulas (B) and (D); reacting Formulas (A), (B) and (F); reacting Formulas (A) and (F) or reacting Formulas (B) and (F). Each creating/forming a different gelled composition. Also, Takaoka et al. (JP 2000-223126) teaches one of these compositions.

3. This application contains claims directed to more than one species of the generic invention. These species are deemed to lack unity of invention because they are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

The species are as follows:

For Formula (A), define R1, R2 and Z1.

For Formula (B), define R3, R4, R5 and Z2.

For Formula (D), define R6, R7 and Z3.

For Formula (F), define R8, R9 and Z4

Applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single species to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The reply must also identify the claims readable on the elected species, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered non-responsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include

all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).

4. The claims are deemed to correspond to the species listed above in the following manner:

Claims 1-7, 21, 22-24, 25-26 contain Formulas (A) (not in claim 26), (B) and (D). Claims 8-20, 27-28 contain Formulas (A), (B) (not in claim 28) and (F).

The following claim(s) are generic: claims 29-30.

5. The species listed above do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, the species lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:
The gelled composition can be formed by reacting Formulas (A), (B) and (D); reacting Formulas (A) and (D); reacting Formulas (B) and (D); reacting Formulas (A), (B) and (F); reacting Formulas (A) and (F) or reacting Formulas (B) and (F). Each creating/forming a different gelled composition. Also, Takaoka et al. (JP 2000-223126) teaches one of these compositions.

6. A telephone call was not made to request an oral election to the above restriction due to the complexity of the election requirement, therefore did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

7. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim

remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura S Weiner whose telephone number is 571-272-1294. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (6:30-4:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Ryan can be reached on 571-272-1292. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).



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